

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

THE COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM,
INC.,

Defendant.

No. C 06-04752 JSW

**ORDER RE JOINT CLAIM
CONSTRUCTION STATEMENT**

The Court has received the parties' Joint Claim Construction Statement, in which they state that despite meeting and conferring, they have been unable to agree on 23 terms and wish to present all 23 terms for construction. The parties also state that they do not require a prehearing conference, to which this Court can only reply, in pop culture parlance, "seriously."

Pursuant to this Court's Standing Order for Patent Cases, "the Court will construe no more than ten terms. If more than ten terms are at issue, the parties shall meet and confer before the preparation of the joint claim construction statement on narrowing the selection of terms to be construed by the Court and shall jointly propose the ten terms requiring construction."

(Standing Order re Patent Cases ¶ 4.) That Standing Order further provides that:

If a party genuinely believes that it will require that more than ten terms be construed, that party may request leave to designate additional terms for construction, pursuant to Civil Local Rule 7-11.... The requesting party must demonstrate good cause and explain why other methods of limiting the claims at issue (such as the selection of representative claims or any grouping of claims by issues presented) would be ineffective. **The request must be filed no later than two weeks before the deadline for filing the joint claim construction statement.** If good cause is shown, the Court will either agree to construe all terms or schedule a second claim construction proceeding on the excess terms. **If more than ten terms are**

